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Representative Spencer Black Room 210 N State Capitol Madison, WI 53708 HAND DELIVERED

Dear Representative Black,

As a member of the Assembly Natural Resources Committee, I respectfully request a public hearing for Clearinghouse Rule (CR) 08-074 which significantly alters the identification, classification and control of invasive species.

The plain language analysis of the rule states that a number of Wisconsin businesses will experience positive effects upon passage and enforcement of the proposed rule. However, it also points out that other companies will experience decreased opportunities and revenues resulting from the prohibition of importation, buying, selling, growing or otherwise using certain species, even in a controlled, responsible manner.

Though preventing environmental harm or harm to human health is everyone's goal, we can not ignore the real challenges currently facing Wisconsin and the potential economic impacts of this rule. Every policy lawmakers debate this year should be judged based on this measure: will it create jobs in Wisconsin? While CR 08-074 may serve landscape contractors, arborists, aquatic plant and pest control companies well, we need to protect all jobs and assemble a plan to get people back to work.

For these reasons and to ensure effective citizen participation in the rulemaking process, I request that a public hearing be held on CR 08-074 to address the matter of identifying specific invasive species into two specific categories and its effects on Wisconsin citizens and businesses.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. Should you have any questions, feel free to call me at (608)266-0631.

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State Representative 94th Assembly District